



Our Story

This foundation was started because my husband, Chris Wagner, suffered from a rare autoimmune liver illness called Primary Sclerosing Cholangitis (PSC). Chris battled PSC for over ten years when in late 2012 he began to have serious complications. Despite these complications, Chris's MELD score, which determines priority for traditional cadaver-donor transplants, was not high enough to qualify him for a transplant. Chris's doctors advised us that our best option was a living donor transplant. We began looking for a donor and it turned out my sister, Mollie Moreland, was a perfect match! Mollie was a new nurse with very little vacation or sick time, however, my parents and others were able to financially support Mollie during her recovery. Without that support, Mollie would have been unable to save Chris's life. This is why we started the Ohio Chapter of this Foundation – to help financially support living organ donors through their physical recoveries. To learn more or find out how you can help with our mission, please contact us at info@nlodfohio.com.

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Promoting Living Organ Donation Through Financial Support & Education

The mission of the Ohio chapter of the National Living Organ Donors Foundation is to offer aid to Living Organ Donors and their families after transplants. The Foundation is committed to the idea that everyone should be able to be a Living Organ Donor, without the worry of financial burden. We are also focused on supporting Living Organ Donation through awareness and education.



Supporters march in the First Town Days Parade in New Philadelphia to raise awareness for living organ donations.

Awareness

Although the main objective of the NLODF is financial support for donors, we're also advocates for awareness. Approximately 120,000 people are on the donor "waiting list" nationwide and 20 people die each day waiting on an organ. We hope that our promotion of live organ donation helps get the word out and more potential donors will come forward to help save lives!

We can help you learn more about living organ donation, so please contact us for more information.



What we do

The National Living Organ Donors Foundation, Ohio Chapter (NLODF) provides financial assistance to qualified living organ donors during their physical recoveries. The NLODF will also assist with travel and lodging expenses for the transplant and follow-up medical care.

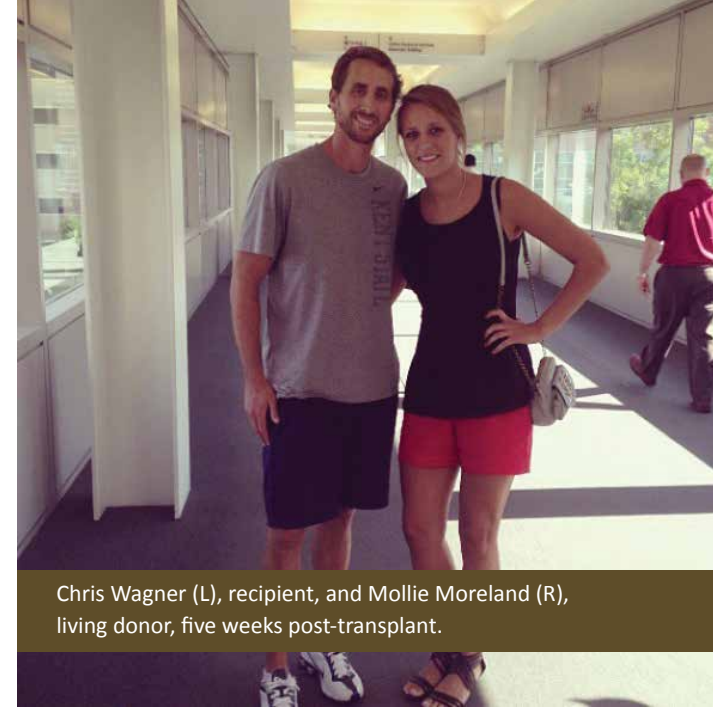
Who is eligible

Any living donor who can demonstrate financial need is eligible for assistance. The applicant must provide proof of income and expenses. The NLODF will evaluate the information submitted and make a determination of need on a case-by-case basis. All funds distributed may ONLY be used to pay verified expenses. Pursuant to federal law, no person may transfer any human organ for valuable consideration. The transplant must also take place within Ohio.

What is considered

- Household Gross Income
- Income during recovery from surgery (i.e. Paid time off, such as vacation time)
- Indirect costs related to hospital stay such as lodging, food and travel expenses
- Total expenses, such as loss of wages
- Amount of funds available
- Any other relevant material factors.

Applicants will need to have their transplant coordinator review and sign-off on their application. To request an application, contact us at info@nlodfohio.com.



Chris Wagner (L), recipient, and Mollie Moreland (R), living donor, five weeks post-transplant.

Is there a priority list?

Yes, there is. In a perfect world, we'd have a enough money for all organ transplant donors, but sadly, there's a priority list because of limited funds. In honor of Mollie's liver donation – and due to the extensive recovery time post-transplant for living liver donors – Liver donors do receive priority.

The priority list follows:

- Liver (majority of funds)
- Kidney (minority of funds)
- Bone Marrow (minority of funds)

If there are other technologically advanced live-donor organ transplant candidates for other organs than the above, they'll be considered on a case-by-case basis.